

ST. JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH
2023 CHURCH CALENDAR
YEAR 126

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Sunday School	TBA
Worship Service	10:00 am
Holy Communion	First Sunday of Each Month (except August)
Bible Study	Each Wednesday Via Zoom – 7:00 pm (Oct-June)
Youth Sunday	3 rd Sunday of Each Month
Other Special Services	As indicated on Calendar

(Worship Service will be at 10:00 am unless otherwise indicated)

(Easter, Mother's Day and Father's Day worship service will be at 9:00 am, unless otherwise indicated)

CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

February 23 rd	7:00 pm
April 27 th	7:00 pm
June 29 th	7:00 pm
August 31 st	7:00 pm
October 26 th	7:00 pm
November 30 th	7:00 pm

(Deacons & Trustees meet the Sunday prior to the Church Meeting)

**All Church Business meetings are held on Thursdays*

**Notices and cancellations will be received through "Call Em All", Facebook and the Website.*

Please note that due to COVID19, Worship Service, Programs and Meetings are subject to change.

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Meeting Schedule – SJBC Ministries</u> <u>Meeting Dates and Times (all are subject to change)</u>
Baptizing	1 st Sunday of each month as needed
Bible Study	Wednesdays Via Zoom – 7:00 pm
Board of Christian Education Mrs. Christina Jones, Chair	TBA
Deacons Deacon Thomas Jones, III	TBA
Feedmore Rev. Vance Jones	1 st Thursday of each month
Greeters Ministry Ms. Evelyn Adkins, Chair	TBA
John E. Jones Memorial Choir TBA	TBA
Men’s Fellowship Samuel Ray, Chair	Quarterly after Worship Service
New Members Orientation	4 th Sunday of each month as necessary – 9:00 am
Scholarship Committee Deacon Mona-Adkins-Easley, Chair	TBA
SJBC Faith in Motion Mrs. Dyvawn Stone-Charity, Chair	TBA
Special Events Ministry Mrs. Bonnie Gardner, Chair	TBA
Senior Choir Mrs. Bonnie Gardner, Chair	TBA
Steering Committee Mr. Jerry Overby, Chair	1 st Tuesday of each month – 6:30 pm
Ushers Hope Crawley, Chair	Quarterly – Meeting will be on Sundays after worship service (Senior and Junior Ushers)
Junior Ushers Vacant	
Trustees Mrs. Tanya Thorpe, Chair	Sunday Prior to regular Church Meeting – Directly after worship service
Women’s Ministry Mrs. Lesa Jones and Joyce Manning Co-Chairs	4 th Sunday of every other month – Following morning worship service
Youth Ministry TBA	TBA



January

“Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and he will establish yours plans”.

January 1st	First Sunday in 2023
January 5 th (Thursday)	Feedmore
January 14 th	Christian Education Youth Activity
January 15 th	SJBC MLK Observance <i>BHM Committee</i>
January 16 th (Monday)	Martin Luther King Day Observance – County Wide TBA
January 22 nd	Women’s Ministry Meeting
January 29 th	Men’s Fellowship Meeting Scholarship Sunday <i>Scholarship Committee</i>



February

Black History Month – Jason Overby, Chair

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;”

February 2nd (Thursday)	Feedmore
February 5th	Black History Month Kickoff
February 9th (Thursday)	19 th Year of Remembrance of Burning of St. John
February 12 th	BHM Presentation “Go Red Sunday” <i>Women’s Ministry</i>
February 18 th	Christian Education / Youth Ministry Event
February 19 th	BHM Presentation

February 22 nd	✠ Ash Wednesday
February 23 rd (Thursday)	Church Business Meeting
February 26 th	✠ 1 st Sunday in Lent BHM Presentation



March

“But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect”

March 2 nd (Thursday)	Feedmore
March 5 th	✠ 2 nd Sunday in Lent State of the Church – immediately following worship service <i>Oliver Whitehead</i>
March 12 th	✠ 3 rd Sunday in Lent Women’s Day Program <i>Women’s Ministry</i> Day Light Savings Time Begins
March 19 th	✠ 4 th Sunday in Lent
March 26 th	✠ 5 th Sunday in Lent Special Olympics Sunday Women’s Ministry Meeting



April

“We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him”.

April 2 nd	✠ Palm Sunday
April 3 rd – 6 th (Monday-Thursday)	✠ Holy Week
April 6 th (Thursday)	Feedmore

April 7 th (Friday)	✝ Good Friday
April 9 th	✝ Easter(Resurrection Sunday)
April 14 th (Friday)	Girls Empowerment
April 22 nd	Church Leadership Conference-Virginia Union
April 23 rd	Mens Fellowship Meeting
April 27 th (Thursday)	Church Business Meeting
April 30 th	Scholarship Sunday Senior Citizens Activity – immediately following morning worship service <i>Carol Baker, Chair(POSTPONED)</i>



May

“Strength and honour are his clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come”.

May 4 th (Thursday)	Feedmore National Day of Prayer
May 7 th	St Jude Sunday
May 14 th	Mother’s Day Service – 9:00 am <i>Linda Washington and Donna Overby, Co-Chairs</i>
May 20 th	<i>Christian Ed Youth</i>
May 28 th	<i>Women’s Ministry Meeting</i>



June

“As a father has compassion on his children,
so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.”

June 1st (Thursday)	Feedmore
June 3 rd	SJBC Spring Community Yard Sale & Fish Fry-Women’s Ministry
June 4 th	NAACP Emphasis Sunday <i>Deacon Byron Adkins, Sr., Chair</i>
June 11 th	Children’s Day Program <i>Youth Ministry, Chair</i>
June 17 th (Saturday)	Father’s Day Weekend - Father’s Day Fish Fry(POSTPONED) <i>Monroe Glover and Justin Washington, Co-Chairs</i>
June 18 th	Father’s Day Weekend - Father’s Day Service – 10:00 am
June 20 th , 21 st and 22 nd	Vacation Bible School Christian Education Chair
June 25 th -29 th	Hybrid 124 th Annual Session and Congress of Christian Faith Formation Baptist General Convention of Virginia, Norfolk, VA
June 29th (Thursday)	Church Business Meeting



July

“Every good and perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights,
who does not change like shifting shadows”.

July 2 nd	Senior Citizens Activity – immediately following morning worship service <i>Carol Baker, Chair</i>
July 2 nd – 8 th (Sunday – Saturday)	No Meetings or Practices
July 6 th (Thursday)	Feedmore

July 23 rd	Men's Fellowship Meeting Women's Ministry Meeting
July 30 th (Saturday)	Annual Church Wide Clean-up Day – 7:00 am <i>Men's Fellowship</i>
July 30 th	Scholarship Sunday / Educators Appreciation Sunday <i>Scholarship Committee</i>



August

“Restore us, O Lord God of hosts! Let your face shine, that we may be saved!”

August 3 rd (Thursday)	Feedmore
August 6 th	Homecoming Services
August 7 th – 10 th (Monday – Thursday)	Revival Services
August 19 th (Saturday)	Back to School Rally
August 31 st (Thursday)	Church Business Meeting



September

“The harvest is past, the summer has ended, and we are not saved”.

September 7 th (Thursday)	Feedmore
September 9 th	Wellness Walk/Sickle Cell Awareness (Harrison Park)-Women's Ministry
September 10 th	Sickle Cell Anemia Awareness Sunday <i>Bernice Adkins, Chair</i>
September 16 th	Family and Friends Weekend <i>Samuel Ray, Chair</i>
September 17 th	126 th Church Anniversary Day
September 24 th	Women's Ministry Meeting



October

****Clergy Appreciation Month****

****Breast Cancer Awareness Month****

“Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith.”

October 1st	Clergy Appreciation Sunday <i>Steering Committee</i>
	Breast Cancer Awareness Sunday <i>Women's Ministry</i>
October 5th (Thursday)	Feedmore
October 8 th	Men's Day <i>Men's Fellowship</i>
October 15 th	Pastor's 21st Anniversary – 10:00 am <i>Deacons and Steering Committee, Chairs</i>
October 22 nd	<i>Men's Fellowship Meeting</i>
October 26 th (Thursday)	Church Business Meeting
October 28th (Saturday)	Harvest Festival <i>Christian Education / Youth Ministry</i>
October 29 th	Scholarship Sunday <i>Scholarship Committee</i>



November

“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus”.

November 2nd (Thursday)	Feedmore
November 5 th	Feedmore Sunday Mens Fellowship Meeting

Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 11 th	Women's Ministry Activity-TBD
November 12 th	Veterans Day Program <i>Felicia and Bryant Wyatt, Co-Chairs</i>
November 18 th (Saturday)	Friendsgiving <i>Missionary Ministry</i>
November 19 th	Cancer Awareness Sunday
November 30 th (Thursday)	Church Business Meeting



December

“Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign.
Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son,
and shall call his name Immanuel.”

December 3rd	✝ 1 st Sunday of Advent
December 7th (Thursday)	Feedmore
December 8th (Saturday)	Outreach Dinner Women's Ministry
December 10th	✝ Second Sunday of Advent Program Development Training
December 16 th	Christmas Jazz Concert-Henry Harris
December 17 th	✝ Third Sunday of Advent Christmas Program
December 24 th	✝ Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 25 th – Jan 1st	NO MEETINGS OR PRACTICES
December 25 th	✝ Christmas
December 31 st	Scholarship Sunday Watch Night Service 6 pm

If you have any questions about any information on the calendar, please contact a member of the Steering Committee.

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Jerry Overby-Chair	Mrs. Bonnie Gardner
Mrs. Paula Stone, Vice-Chair	Mrs. Latoya Johnson-Davis
Mrs. Shaniqua Johnson, Secretary	Mrs. Christina Jones
Dea. Byron Adkins, Sr.	Mrs. Donna Overby
Mrs. Bernice Adkins	Rev. Ellsworth Tait
Mr. Steven Banks	Mrs. Tanya Thorpe

ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Please e-mail all information for your program to sj-bc@hotmail.com by the Wednesday prior to the Sunday program. If you do not have e-mail, call the Clerk or Church Secretary. You **MUST** contact the Pastor prior to making contact with guest ministers or speakers. Also, contact the Pastor and clerk if you would like to make any changes to the normal order of service.

Committee chairs:

1. Please form your committee early and plan your program.
2. You may want to meet several times to discuss and plan your program. We want all committees to have a successful program.
3. Please be prepared to present your program plans to the Steering Committee **2 months prior to your program** so they can assist you.
4. Funding may be available for your program. Contact financial analysts approximately one month prior to event to determine funding availability.

Communication:

1. If you need to meet or practice for a program that is NOT during normal worship service hours –fill out a facility use form in advance:
* Please see Herschel Jones or Welton Smith to fill out the paperwork to have one of them open the church. If your **program** is not during normal worship service you will need to have one of them there to run the sound system. ***Do not take for granted they will be at the program.***
2. Inform Rev. Tait if you plan to have a guest minister/speaker or our Associate Pastor to speak for your assigned program.
3. For kitchen use, please contact the Chair of the Hospitality Committee, Dea. Thomas Jones, two weeks in advance.
4. Any correspondence to outside churches, news media outlets, or individuals should come from the Clerk's office.

Contact Phone Numbers:

Pastor-Rev. Ellsworth Tait – 852-7345
Chair of Deacons-Dea.Thomas Jones III-829-5341
Event Coordinator-Vacant
Hospitality/Kitchen-Dea. Thomas Jones III– 829-5341
Maintenance-Vacant
Building Access-Herschel Jones – 829-6661
Building Access-Welton Smith – 829-6640
Church Clerk-Donna Overby-928-4615
Church Secretary-LaToya Johnson-Davis 804 873-7854

Please Ask For Help.....

The Steering Committee is here to help or give suggestions – Just ask